

## Message Text

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1180  
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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: EFIS, EEC, FG  
SUBJECT: SHRIMPING OFF FRENCH GUIANA

REF: (A) BRUSSELS 9065, (B) BRUSSELS 9042 (NOTAL),  
(C) REAMS/SALISBURY TELECON OF 7/28/77

1. DURING AUGUST 1 DISCUSSION OF LICENSING PROCEDURES  
FOR FRENCH GUIANA SHRIMP FISHERY WITH EC COMMISSION  
FISHERY OFFICIAL BATTERSBY, MISSION OFFICER RAISED  
PROBLEM OF DELAYS THAT WOULD BE OCCASIONED BY EC  
INSISTENCE UPON PROVISION OF DATA CONCERNING VESSEL  
ENGINE POWER (PARA 4 REFTTEL A). BATTERSBY REPLIED THAT  
THE COMMISSION RELIES ON ENGINE POWER FACTOR IN MAKING  
DETERMINATION OF CATCH POTENTIAL BY INDIVIDUAL VESSELS  
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BUT SUGGESTED THAT APPLICATION FORMS COULD BE SUB-  
MITTED WITHOUT SUCH DATA IF DIPLOMATIC NOTE OF TRANS-  
MITTAL WERE TO: (A) SPECIFY THAT INFORMATION WOULD BE  
SUBMITTED "AS SOON AS POSSIBLE;" AND (B) INDICATE  
GENERAL RANGE OF ENGINE POWER FOR ALL APPLYING VESSELS.

2. BATTERSBY, JOINED BY BELGIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY

FISHERY OFFICIAL JANSSEN, THEN RAISED QUESTION OF WHAT CRITERIA SHOULD BE USED IN DETERMINING WHICH U.S. VESSELS SHOULD RECEIVE EC LICENSES. MISSION OFFICER REPEATED USG POSITION THAT IT CANNOT LEGALLY PERFORM ANY SCREENING FUNCTION AND THAT RESPONSIBILITY FOR DECISION ON APPLICATIONS RESTS WITH EC (REFS B AND C). BATTERSBY SAID HE APPRECIATED USG POSITION AND WANTED TO ASSURE US THAT DETERMINATION OF LICENSE ALLOCATIONS WOULD NOT BE ARBITRARY. ALTHOUGH COMMISSION GUIDELINES ARE NOT YET SET, BATTERSBY SAID THAT FIRST CONCERN WOULD BE TO MINIMIZE INDIVIDUAL HARDSHIP TO GREATEST EXTENT POSSIBLE, RECOGNIZING THAT MANY SMALLER FIRMS AND INDIVIDUAL SHIP MASTERS DEPEND ON SHRIMPING FOR THEIR LIVELIHOOD. HE INDICATED THAT CUTS WOULD PROBABLY BE MADE FOR LARGER FIRMS, BASED UPON MEAN NUMBER OF VESSELS EMPLOYED BY EACH FIRM WITHIN THE FISHERY ZONE.

3. MISSION OFFICER ALSO RAISED WITH BATTERSBY THE POTENTIAL PROBLEMS WE SEE STEMING FROM BELGIAN/COMMISSION DECISION TO LIMIT VALIDITY OF LICENSES FOR US VESSELS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30(REFTEL A). BATTERSBY OFFERED THE PERSONAL OPINION THAT RE-LICENSING IN SEPTEMBER SHOULD AMOUNT TO PRO FORMA REVALIDATION BY THE COMMISSION OF BELGIAN LICENSES, ALTHOUGH HE FELT IT WOULD PROBABLY BE NECESSARY TO COMPLETE NEW APPLICATION FORMS.

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4. ACTION REQUESTED: WE UNDERSTAND FROM EUR/RPE (REF C) THAT INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR COMPLETION OF APPLICATION FORMS IS NOW IN THE POUCH. IF ENGINE POWER DATA NOT INCLUDED IN PACKAGE SENT BY DEPARTMENT, MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING SUCH DATA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. IN THE MEANTIME, WE WOULD APPRECIATE INFORMATION ON RANGE OF ENGINE POWER PER BATTERSBY'S REQUEST, PARA ONE ABOVE. HINTON

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